

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title:..... BIOMASS GASIFIER APPARATUS AND METHOD

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated 18 January 2005, please modify the status of the claims in the above-identified application as follows:

A) **Modifications to Claim Status** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Response; and

B) **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this Response.